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9 FAM APPENDIX D, 100 AUTOMATED VISA SYSTEMS

9 FAM APPENDIX D, 300 MACHINE READABLE NONIMMIGRANT VISA (MRV)

Changes

1. This Change Transmittal issues updates to **9 FAM Appendix D, 100** and **9 FAM Appendix D, 300**. Section changes are below and other changes were spelling out or adding acronyms.

9 FAM Appendix D, 100

- Section 101, clarified the location on the Web site to find operational instructions for the nonimmigrant visa (NIV) system and the immigrant visa (IVO) system
- Section 102, removed IV/DV
- Section 104, added "independent" for namecheck inquiries
- Section 105, removed IV/DV

9 FAM Appendix D, 300

- Section 307, added a sentence
2. **Change Transmittal** has replaced the term, Transmittal Letter. Change Transmittal was selected as being more appropriate in this age of electronic information transmission. The FAM volume's transmittal acronym and numerical series remains in place.
 3. Revisions since the last update appear in *italics* and *dark magenta*. Other

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